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Mayor Announces New City Web Site

Middletown, Connecticut: Mayor Sebastian N. Giuliano announced today that the City of Middletown has launched a new City Web Site. The new site marks a significant change to the City's internet presence, and will serve as a platform for delivering more services to citizens through electronic communications.

Mayor Giuliano led the partnership with QScend Technologies of Waterbury, Connecticut to update and refresh the City's site. Middletown was one of the first municipalities in the state to host a website for constituent information. But being an early adopter left us vulnerable to aging technology, and the City needed to take a big step to change platforms and work with newer systems. The charge given to the IT department was to lay the foundation for greater citizen contact, dynamic content, and a streamlined look and feel to the site.

One other key component in the system is the ability for each department to manage the changes to their portion of the site. The Mayor is empowering each department to maintain the site to ensure they can provide timely and relevant information to the citizens without having to maintain a staff of programmers to do so.

The new site will eventually support RSS feeds, interactive GEO content, photo galleries, and dynamic email forms. We also expect that over the next several weeks, we will use this platform to allow for direct citizen participation in completion of forms, and eventually payments of fees.

We know that this is this is a "Work in Progress" site, so please visit, and send in your suggestions so that we can continue to improve our service to the people of Middletown.